ABSTRACT

A target specified range of a toner density is correctly set so that a toner density is consistently appropriately controlled.

If a specified range within which a measured toner density TD (%) should fall is set based on an expression (2) below using a volume average diameter Dcav_vol (µm) of a magnetic carrier and a volume average diameter Dtav_vol (µm) of a toner, the target specified range can be correctly set, thereby making it possible to consistently appropriately control the toner density.

$$TD \le \{yt \cdot Vt/Nt/(yc \cdot Vc)\} \times 100 \qquad (2)$$

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